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DENY NOW THEY CONFESSED TO KILLING DR. MOHR IN AUTO

THOUSANDS OF BIG SHELLS BATTER THE RUSSIAN LINES IN FRONT OF BALTIC PORT

Troops Led by von Beseler, the "Battering Ram" of German Army, Storm the Fortified Bridge Head at Friedrichstadt.

BERLIN (via London), Sept. 4.—German troops in the group commanded by Field Marshal von Hindenburg have stormed the strongly fortified bridgehead at Friedrichstadt, 42 miles southeast of Riga, after a ten days' battle. They captured 37 officers and 3,325 men.

The victorious troops are under the immediate command of Gen. von Beseler, known as "the Battering Ram" because of his successful bombardment of Antwerp. He was put in charge of the attack at Friedrichstadt immediately after he had stormed the great Russian fortress of Novo Georgiewsk.

The Friedrichstadt bridgehead, most important for the defense of Riga, was stormed after terrible battering by thousands of big German shells.

Twelve miles northwest of Friedrichstadt Germans drove the Russians across the Dvina early yesterday. The whole force of the Courland army is now being hurled against the Russian positions. Von Hindenburg plans to throw a strong army across the Dvina to attack Riga.

West of Vilna and between the Viliya River and Grodno, the Russians have made several vain attacks. Around Grodno the fighting continues. The Russians retreated eastward last night, hotly pursued by the Germans, who now hold all the forts of Grodno and have taken 2,700 prisoners. The enemy has evacuated positions south of Grodno.

Altogether the forces operating under Gen. von Hindenburg took 7,622 prisoners, six heavy cannons and five machine guns yesterday.

Gen. von Gallwitz's army continues its attacks between the mouth of the Swiela and the district northeast of Blawieska forest, said the official statement. "Prince Leopold, of Bavaria, continues the engagement around the swamps north and northeast of Prushany."

Gen. Mackensen, who is advancing eastward from Brest-Litovsk toward Pinsk, is approaching Drogitschin, about 40 miles west of Pinsk.

TURK BRIDGE BLOWN UP BY SUBMARINE'S CREW

British Sailors Circle a Military Post and Plant Bombs Under Railway Span.

ATHENS, Sept. 4.—Under cover of darkness, the crew of a British submarine made a daring attack on the important Gebze railway bridge 26 miles southeast of Constantinople and succeeded in blowing up one of the spans.

The submarine entered the Gulf of Imdid at dusk, disembarked several of its crew with dynamite bombs and then stood close into shore. The crew circled a Turkish military encampment, having several narrow escapes from Turkish patrols, and planted their bombs on the bridge over which passes the chief railway connecting Constantinople with the interior of Asia Minor. One of the bombs wrecked the middle span, but the others failed to explode.

U. S. TROOPS FIGHT MEXICAN SOLDIERS AND SLAY SEVEN

Border Guardians Engage in Two Pitched Battles With Uniformed Invaders.

DEAD CARRANZA MEN.

Finding of Military Bombs Gives Indication of Organized Movement.

BROWNSVILLE, Texas, Sept. 4.—The border situation is rapidly changing from unorganized banditry to an affair between uniformed soldiers of the United States and Mexico.

Pitched battles between troops of the two nations occurred twice to-day at different points along the Rio Grande. While there were no casualties on the American side, at least seven Mexican soldiers were killed.

Twelve Mexicans crossed the river at daylight this morning, encountered a detachment of American soldiers near Madera, in Hidalgo County. Seven of the invaders were killed and the rest escaped. All of the dead wore Carranzista uniforms. At about the same time, Mexican soldiers fired across the river at a company of rangers near the Cavazos crossing. The rangers returned the fire and it is believed some of the Mexicans were hit. Capt. McCoy hurried from Mission with a troop of cavalry to reinforce the rangers, as it was believed the Mexicans, who were in superior numbers, would attempt to cross over.

The clashes with Mexicans are expected to increase, as the river is falling rapidly and is fordable in many places which have been impassable for several days.

Dynamite bombs of military pattern discovered in a wagon stolen from an American ranch and recovered by soldiers to-day, is accepted as further evidence that at least some of the Mexicans implicated in this week's raids are members of the Carranzista garrison at Matamoros.

The entire border from Brownsville to El Paso is bristling with arms as a result of the recent skirmishes. One American and four Mexicans made up yesterday's list of killed. Americans are determined to wipe out the bandits.

Mexicans fired nearly a hundred shots across the river yesterday at an American army aeroplane containing Lieuts. J. Moran and B. Q. Jones flying over Brownsville, then turned their guns against a squad of American soldiers on guard at the Brownsville electric light plant. The soldiers returned the fire. There was no casualty.

Three of the Mexican bandits operating near here were killed Thursday by county officers at Los Cuatros, fourteen miles north of Brownsville.

Bandits Attempt to Wreck Passenger Train.

LAREDO, Tex., Sept. 4.—Carranzista soldiers are beating the chaparral around Palo Blanco to-day for bandits who attempted late yesterday to wreck the passenger train bound from Monterey to Laredo. A bomb placed on the track exploded and tore away part of the locomotive's firebox. A large section of the track was destroyed, but the fact that the greater force of the explosion was downward and to one side saved the engine from destruction. Wires leading to three batteries were found in the brush nearby.

BADGE OF HEALTH IS NOW DEMANDED OF ALL WAITERS

Board of Health Will Also Bar All Cooks That Are Infected, Too.

ARE EXAMINING 100,000.

Heavy Fine for Restaurant Proprietors Who Have Unhealthy Employees.

More than 100,000 waiters, cooks, omnibuses and dishwashers employed in the 4,500 restaurants and hotels in New York in the preparation and serving of food have been notified by the Board of Health that they must obtain, without delay, certificates stating that they are free of tuberculosis, typhoid or any other infectious disease. The notice was recently promulgated by the Division of Industrial Hygiene and already scores of cooks and waiters have been found, it is said by Dr. L. I. Harris in charge of the work, to be menaces to the health of restaurant patrons.

The examination of the employees of restaurants began two weeks ago at No. 49 Lafayette Street under the supervision of seventeen doctors and a corps of nurses. An average of 275 examinations a day has established that with the facilities at hand it would be an almost impossible task to get through with all who are affected by the new order.

The Health Department will recognize certificates issued by physicians in regular practice if these certificates are filed out on forms issued by the Division of Industrial Hygiene. At a date to be set soon all waiters, cooks and other restaurant employees engaged in the preparation and serving of food or employed in any capacity in the kitchen will have to show a certificate when it is asked for.

Proprietors who employ persons not equipped with certificates will be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and will be subject to a fine of \$500 or imprisonment for one year. It is expected that the making of proprietors responsible will bring about a close observance of the rule.

Restaurant and hotel proprietors who conduct first-class places express themselves as satisfied with the new order of things, but there is a lot of grumbling among the owners of cheap restaurants. The waiters and cooks are also complaining that they are liable to be thrown out of the only means of employment they possess.

"It's all right to see that my help are hygienic," said a sardonic restaurant man in the Tenderloin to-day, "but how is the Board of Health going to protect my place against unhygienic patrons?"

DUNKIRK STRIKE AT END.

Shell Makers Get Concessions and Will Return Tuesday.

DUNKIRK, N. Y., Sept. 4.—The strike of the 800 machinists of the Brooks plant of the American Locomotive Company, which has been in effect since last Monday, was declared off at a meeting of the strikers to-day. The strikers were employed in the making of shells for the allies and struck for an eight-hour day and recognition of the "shop committee." The company agreed to take back the men without discrimination and granted a suitable vacation schedule. The men will return to work Tuesday.

Slain Doctor, Widow and Woman She Accuses as Her Rival



MRS. ELIZABETH MOHR



EMILY BURGER.

WIFE IN TERROR AS LEBAUDY CUTS OFF FOOD SUPPLY

"Emperor of Sahara" May Escape Sponsors, Is Her Fear Now.

The gentle Mme. Augustine Lebaudy, whose beauty and liberality early endeared her to the residents of Westbury, L. I., has their freely expressed sympathy to-day for the anguishing situation in which she finds herself, immured in an upper chamber of the rambling "House of Fifty Rooms," which stands in a fifty-acre tract three miles across the Hempstead plains from Westbury.

Mme. Lebaudy remains in constant terror lest her husband, Jacques, whose extraordinary eccentricities landed him recently in a sanatorium at Amityville, may escape from the sponsors who secured his release from there and return to do her harm.

Though there is only food enough in the house for perhaps the next two days, and though her husband has sent notices to the tradesfolk of Westbury not to furnish her with further supplies, neither Mme. Lebaudy nor her ten-year-old daughter, Jacqueline, have the slightest feeling of bitterness toward the erratic millionaire. They feel that he is not mentally responsible, but their ignorance of this country's laws and their rights in the situation leaves them pathetically helpless.

"It is a cruel shame that some reputable attorney doesn't step in and advise that poor woman of her rights," remarked a resident of Westbury to-day. "Her husband ought not to be at large and she ought to have him committed permanently to some institution. Then instead of being half starved in that ramshackle old place, she would be enjoying the comforts she has a right to."

"But she doesn't know the language nor the laws of this country and she's really sorry for her husband, so the thing just drags along and drags along without anything definite being done."

The "House of Fifty Rooms" is a long, rambling affair which stood vacant two years before Lebaudy took

it and which has had little done to it by way of repairs at any time. The hedges about it are uncultivated, the lawns unkempt, the outbuildings in a sad state of deterioration. In the horse lot, a five-acre pasture near the house, six horses, racks of bones all of them, bear witness to the way in which designing acquaintances have found Lebaudy a constant source of "easy money."

The house is looked after by Alice, Mme. Lebaudy's French maid, and the rest of the place is left to the care of two farmhands, one scarcely more than a boy. These servants are loyal to Mme. Lebaudy and both the men are armed with clubs to protect her against any invasion undertaken or instigated by her husband. No one seems to know just where the "Emperor of the Sahara," as he is called since he was released from the sanatorium, is at none of his usual stopping places, and this uncertainty as to his whereabouts adds to his wife's uneasiness.

Mrs. Lebaudy declined to see a reporter from The Evening World to-day on the ground that she was too weak and ill. The experiences she has undergone in the past five months, as related by the servants and by her daughter, seem ample to reduce any one to that condition. She sent Jacqueline, the little daughter, to answer questions and Jacqueline said: "Oh, no, we are not angry at papa. I love my papa. He is a very sick man, but he will come back when he is well."

Several weeks ago Lebaudy looked his wife and daughter in a room for nearly two days and forbade the servants to give them any food. At the end of that time one of the farmhands took advantage of his employer's absence, kicked in the door and assisted Mme. Lebaudy and Jacqueline to barricade themselves in the room upstairs, where they still remain.

On learning of this Lebaudy is said to have carried hundreds of buckets of water up the stairs and flooded the halls around the room containing his wife and little girl.

CHAUFFEUR DECLARES DOCTOR HAD RECEIVED MANY THREATS; SLAYER FOLLOWED IN AUTO

Widow and Stepson Begin Hunt for Victim's Wealth as Three Negroes Deny They Made Any Confession to Police.

WIDOW SAYS DR. MOHR THREATENED TO KILL HER

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Sept. 4.—A denial that they had confessed to the murder of Dr. C. Franklin Mohr was made to the Associated Press to-day by George W. Healis, Henry Spellman and C. Victor Brown, the negroes, who, according to the police authorities, had previously declared that they killed the physician at the instigation of Mrs. Mohr.

The denial was made in the county jail at Bristol, where the negroes are confined pending a hearing in the District Court at Warren on Sept. 16. Healis, the chauffeur of Dr. Mohr's car on the night of the murder was the spokesman for the trio, but Brown and Spellman signified their assent to all that he said.

"Tell the people," Healis said, "that we are absolutely innocent and that we believe Mrs. Mohr knew nothing of this crime. We have never signed a confession and anything so said to the Providence police was said in a joking way or in a spirit of anger."

"Dr. Mohr to my knowledge had been threatened by several prominent Rhode Island people. I found a letter in his car from a man living on Elmwood Avenue in which he threatened the doctor and said that if he did not cease his attentions to his wife he would fill him full of bullets."

Confronted with the statements of the negroes repudiating their alleged confessions, Chief of Police Thomas F. Robins of Barrington, who is in official charge of the whole case, admitted this afternoon that none of the three men had signed a confession. The only signed statement from them of which he had knowledge, he said, was that in which Healis advanced the theory that robbery was the motive for the crime.

Healis declared that the doctor's automobile was followed on the night of the shooting and it was his theory Dr. Mohr was shot by some man who jumped out of a car, fired at both the physician and Miss Burger and then wrecked the machine on a cross road. DENIES HEALIS WAS IN PROVIDENCE.

At this point Brown broke in and said: "I see that the Providence police say that Healis saw Mrs. Mohr in Providence on Monday evening. That's a joke, for Healis was in Newport all day Monday and Monday night."

Brown denied that he ever had written or signed a confession. Healis, resuming his story, said: "When I started the machine in the barn Tuesday night it acted funny. On the way down the lights kept going out and the motor worked badly. I noticed by the readlights that a car was following me, but when I tried to speed up the machine to shake off the one behind the engine went back on me and finally stalled. The other car came up behind, slowed down and then went on. Just beyond where we stopped is a cross road. A few minutes after the car passed the shooting began and I believe that the man jumped out of the car when it slowed down, did the shooting and then cut across lots to the car on the cross road."

The remainder of Healis's story had to do with his trip to the hospital with the doctor and Miss Burger, his secretary. On the trip back to Providence, Healis said, Miss Bur-

Five Children Perish in Orphanage Fire

Mother Superior and Sister March Others to Safety at San Francisco.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—Fire destroyed the St. Francis Girls' Rectory, a Catholic orphanage, here to-day, with the loss of five lives.

Search of the ruins disclosed the bodies of Elizabeth O'Brien, four years old, her sister Katherine, and three others. When the fire was discovered the children were marshaled by Sister Mary Agnes and Mother Superior Margaret and marched out of the building. They were quartered in nearby homes. Fifty-two children were housed in the orphanage.

RESALE PRICE FIXING IS UPHELD BY COURT

Chicago Federal Judge Drives Important Ruling Favoring Patentee-Manufacturer.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—A patentee-manufacturer, according to an important decision made by Judge Geiger in the United States District Court here to-day, has the right to fix the resale price of a patented article. The case will be taken to the Supreme Court, it is said.